

**CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to:  
Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

Typed or Printed Name Maria J. Sousa

Signature

Date

7/12/2006

**AMENDMENT UNDER  
37 C.F.R. §1.116**

Address to:  
Mail Stop AF  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Attorney Docket

GUID-117 (formerly FMT1P028)

Confirmation No.

7176

First Named Inventor

Mody

Application Number

09/751,472

Filing Date

12/29/2000

Group Art Unit

3735

Examiner Name

Shay, David M.

Title

Tissue Ablation Apparatus with a  
Sliding Ablation Instrument and  
Method

Sir:

This amendment is responsive to the Final Office Action dated March 28, 2006 for which a three-month period for response was given making this response due on or before June 28, 2006. A Petition for a one month extension of time is being filed concurrently herewith to extend the response period to July 28, 2006. In view of the amendments to the claims and the remarks put forth below, reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested. Applicants submit that the amendments set forth below raise no new issues. Rather, the amendments place the claims in form for allowance or in better form for appeal. Entry of these amendments is thus respectfully requested.